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### EXPERTS' REPORT

#### GERMANY'S POSITION REAFFIRMED.

##### FOREIGN POLICY STATED.

Reuter's Service.

BREITENBURG, June 4.

Herr Marx made a statement of the Government's foreign policy in the Reichstag. He declared he intended to continue the preliminary work of carrying out the experts' report in conformity with his previous announcement that Germany was ready to co-operate with the experts' plans as offering a quick solution of the reparations problem.

The Government was prepared to translate the report into reality but the measures they were preparing would only be enforced if it was clearly shown that the other parties would accept the report as indivisible and unchangeable.

[An earlier cable stated that Herr Marx's efforts to reach an agreement with the Nationalists to form a big coalition have failed owing to the latter demanding the resignation of Herr Stresemann and refusing to guarantee the continuity of the foreign policy.]

### FRENCH POLITICS.

PARIS, June 4.

M. Painleve have been elected President of the Chamber of Deputies by 291 votes.

General Maginot polled 209 and the Communist M. Marty, 27.

[M. Paul Painleve, statesman and scientist, is Socialist-Republican in politics. He was appointed Minister of Instruction and Inventions affecting national defence to the Briand Cabinet (October 1915) and succeeded General Gallieni as Minister of War. He was member of the War Committee, Prime Minister, Minister of War (September-December 1917) and President of the Parliamentary Aviation Group in 1918. As Minister of War he was accused by General Nivelle's supporters of having interfered with the French offensive in April 1917, which ended in a breakdown, but made a successful defence. He was appointed Advisory Director-General to Chinese Government Railways, in 1920. M. Briand is the author of numerous scientific works and a *Life of Nurse Cavell*. He is Chevalier of the Legion of Honour and a Member of the Institute.]

### MILLERAND STANDS PAT.

PARIS, June 4.

According to the *Matin*, M. Millerand does not dream of resigning. If the politicians whom the country has called to office decide to M. Millerand will call someone else to form a Ministry. If this Ministry is overthrown it will only be after an historic debate on the question of the President's right to appoint a Cabinet. The *Matin* says M. Millerand will take final decisions.

### WEMBLEY'S VISITORS.

LONDON, June 4.

Count Azo, brother of the Emperor of Japan, and Countess Azo, visited Wembley this morning. They toured the Australian and Canadian Pavilions and the Palace of Arts.

The Count was very interested in the Canadian National Railways exhibit where he contrasted Canada's mountains with Japan's.

### GERMANY REBUFFED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

WASHINGTON, June 5.

The Senate has rejected a proposal to lend Germany \$25,000,000 to purchase foodstuffs here.

### IRELAND'S PROBLEM.

#### DETERMINING THE BOUNDARY.

##### COMMISSION APPOINTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, June 4.

In the House of Commons, making a statement about the Irish negotiations, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald intimated that the Government had secured a chairman for the Boundary Commission. He would announce the name to-morrow.

The Government had also decided to ask the judicial committee to advise them regarding the legal and constitutional powers to constitute the Commission.

The committee would include the Chief Justice of Australia and he hoped also a member of the Canadian bench.

There was every reason to believe the judicial committee would be able to sit and resolve the issues in July.

The Government had not abandoned hope that the two Irish Governments might reach an agreed settlement before the Commission was constituted, though even in that event the Commission would be necessary to give formal effect to any agreement.

The conciliatory utterances of Mr. Cosgrave, Premier of the Irish Free State, and Sir James Craig, Premier of Northern Ireland, had encouraged these hopes. Mr. MacDonald said that at a meeting with the two Irish leaders on Sunday he had asked them to consider certain proposals. He had since submitted them in the form of a letter. He hoped Irish statesmanship would enable a solution to be reached. (Cheers.)—Reuter

### RUMOUR'S CHOICE.

LATER.

It is stated unofficially in the House of Commons Lobby that Sir James Rose Innes, Chief Justice of South Africa, will be Chairman of the Irish Boundary Commission.

### ANOTHER STRIKE?

#### UNDERGROUND RAILWAYS THREATENED.

##### COMPLICATED SITUATION.

LONDON, June 4.

The shopmen and electricians of the London Underground Railways and the Great Western system have decided to strike at midnight owing to wages and working conditions.

The strike is disavowed by the National Union of Railwaymen, whose members will remain at work.

This will prevent general stoppage, but the situation is complicated by the action of the Locomotive Society in sending a strong letter to the railway companies giving a time limit for the satisfaction of a number of demands in connection with anomalies arising out of the last strike settlement and threatening drastic action if these demands are not accepted.

### JUST AS WELL.

LONDON, June 4.

Russian quarters in London, discuss the report of M. Trotsky's speech at Podolsk in view of the fact that Trotsky has not left Moscow recently.

[According to a telegram from Warsaw, M. Trotsky, in a speech at Podolsk, declared that the Soviet needed the Straits and Constantinople. Therefore, Bessarabia was vital to them as the first step towards Constantinople. If the Rumanians of Poles tried to bar the way, the Soviet would fight them.]

### HOME CRICKET.

#### SOUTH AFRICAN TOUR.

LONDON, June 4.

At Sheffield, in the match between Yorkshire and the South Africans, rain interfered with the first day's play. A small crowd was present. The weather was dull when stumps were pitched and the wicket sticky. Yorkshire scored 187 for 5 wickets (Oldroyd 67 and Rhodes 52)—Reuter.

### SKELETON IN AN ATTIC.

#### CHILD'S REMAINS IN BRASS-STUDD BOX.

WRAPPED IN SILK VEIL.

While workmen were engaged in converting a house in Conwall-gardens, Kensington, into flats, they found in an attic the skeleton of a female child in a box on which were the initials "J.F.N." in brass nails.

[At the inquest at Hammersmith, Mrs. Jane Fye said she had been employed at the house for 15 years. The tenants were the Misses Norton, two elderly ladies, who left in November last.

Coroner: Did they keep many servants?

Witness said there were four. The initials on the box corresponded with those of one of the brothers who died some years ago.

Dr. E. F. Travers said that the skeleton had been in the box for about a year. It was wrapped in a woman's veil of fine silk.

An open verdict was recorded.

### PARLIAMENT OF CHILDREN.

#### DEBATE IN PRESENCE OF REAL CABINET.

A curious ceremony has just taken place at Prague, where, beneath the eye of President Masaryk and Ministers of State, what might be described as almost an official Parliament of Children sat in the local Chamber of Deputies.

The children of all the schools in Czechoslovakia, to the number of 250,000, had, says the *Petit Journal* of Paris, been instructed to elect representatives to sit at a "Children's Parliamentary Session," under the auspices of the Government.

A hundred youthful "members of Parliament" were accordingly elected, and, in the presence of M. Masaryk and other authorities, a sitting took place, during which various questions were discussed.

Most of these were matters which specially concerned school-boys and girls, but the "Children's Parliament" also entered the political domain and passed a vote demanding from all child elders, whose representatives they had with them in the gallery of the Parliament House, that they should use every attempt to preserve the peace of the world.

The children's representatives ranged from 12 to 16, and some made exceedingly good impromptu speeches.

### PORTER'S VIGIL.

#### RAILWAYMAN PORT'S AMUSING STORY.

Mr. Henry Chappell, the Bath railway porter post, author of "The Day," had many good stories to tell when he addressed the Bath Hotel.

He has spent thirty-three years on the G.W.R.

One of his best stories was that of a nervous parcels porter's midnight vigil with a coffin which lay in his room awaiting despatch by a morning train. Before starting his lonely watch a number of his fellow-workmen joined him in a meal, and, inspired possibly by the presence of the coffin, the conversation, more on sabbath, spirit-wapping, and other pious manifestations, so that when the meal was ended the parcels porter was in a state to imagine ghosts peering round every bulky parcel in the office.

During his temporary absence from the room a fowl escaped from a cage, and, in a spirit of mischief, his mates placed it inside the empty coffin and again secured the lid.

"Tap, tap, tap," came from the coffin, and, "Who's there?" whispered the terrified porter. Another series of taps, accompanied by rustling, and ending in a loud, frothy blood in his veins, and with a cry the porter dashed out of the door and raced up the platform, shouting "It's alive! It's alive!" and collapsed on a bench.

The next morning the underliner's men, who arrived for the coffin, were persuaded to remove the lid. There was a handful of feathers inside, and it was not until then that the parcels porter understood the joke (that had been played upon him).

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Mrs. A. R. Lowe wishes to express her deep gratitude for the very many expressions of sympathy which she has received in her great loss and she also wishes to thank most sincerely all who sent flowers.

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HONGKONG THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 1924.

## TAKE A SPELL.

Although opinions appear to differ over certain laws laid down in the Mosaic code—witness alone the steady propensity for murder, private and national—there is one maxim which everyone seems to think worth following. That is to rest at least once in every week. Assuredly "mail days" and other special torments sometimes wreak havoc with week-end plans; and even when the horizon is clear, the actual rest belongs to the species which the proverb assures us springs from a change. Even so,

the principle remains good. Everyone recognises the need for a break in the besetting grind. With the passing of the months, however, even this weekly break can become less bracing, losing its freshness somewhat if only because it too becomes in time a matter of routine. Something more is needed, especially for those who have the worries inseparable from Oriental subordinates—something more which will mean a complete break, an entire change of scene. This, of course, is found in Home leave. Three, four and five years, taking only the usual contract periods, is often too long to wait, for a holiday, though, and Home leave, when at last it falls due, only too frequently means going away to "recuperate" instead of going away to enjoy a vacation with the full pleasure for which good health is essential. Homeside folk would never regard holidays from our slightly warped angle, nor would they wait three, four or five years before taking their vacation. Admittedly that they do not in

consequence usually have more than three, four or six weeks in any one year, whereas Hongkong residents get their six months through patient waiting; admitted also that we out here have a sen voyage as well, still it can be said that so few of us lead those lives of ease and luxury for which the East is erroneously famed, quite apart from our exile from native haunts, that we can hardly be grudging any little extra boon that may come our way. Therefore, with the Home example before us, we can fairly ask why should we wait three, four, five or more years before taking a rest anything longer than a week-end coupled with a Bank holiday. Nor is there, in most cases, any real reason why we should. Not one of us, the wisecracks never tire of repeating, is indispensable. How many times have we been asked to visualise what would happen if we were to die suddenly. And taking a ten day or a fourteen day holiday need not be done suddenly. Satisfied then that the break can be made in most cases, only one question remains to be answered. Where to go? Sir Edward Stubbs would recommend Baguio, others Saigon, Shanghai, Kuling and the Japanese resorts. Personally we would recommend — Hongkong! Not the Hongkong which even the most tolerant among us sometimes finds wearisome, but the Hongkong of Repulse Bay, Shek-O, Fanling, Taipo and a dozen other equally charming and refreshing spots. Assuredly only Repulse Bay among all these has its hotel, but we feel confident that once the others can accommodate guests, even if they offer nothing more pretentious than a Malayan rest house, they will be patronised as their serene beauty and their ready accessibility warrant, providing a cheap, effective answer to the question "Where to go?" when the principle of annual holidays has become generally recognised here as a cheap insurance for good health, increased pleasure and—most potent of all in a business community—higher efficiency!

**OUR LITERARY CORNER.**  
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Her coat is so warm,  
And if I don't (I do not) touch her  
She'll do me no harm."  
—Agnes I. (Yamat)

**Answer:**—This poem, Agnes, was written by a man named Kuyard Ripling, an exceedingly clever poet who lived in a bungalow in Fanling.

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**Answer:**—Try a music shop.

**THE STORY**  
of King Alfred as told in a well-known "language" —  
King cops a rough-house for burning buns.  
"Atta Boy!" says husband.  
Say, bub, jever hear the hard-luck yarn of old man Alf and the cookies? Guess you didn't. Well, then!

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Many anathemas have been hurled at CATHEDRALS, at the unwise restorers of our ancient buildings, says the London Times. Few people realise, however, the extent of the harm which has been done. Sir Frank Baines has been telling the dreadful story at the Royal Society of Arts. "In the first 50 years of the reign of Queen Victoria over £1,000,000 was spent on 20 of our cathedrals, with results that the judicious could only deplore and many of these buildings, such as Worcester, Chester and Lichfield, were now largely modern. The east window of Carlisle and the west window of York Minster—probably the finest examples of flowing tracery in this country, and perhaps in the world—were thus lost to us, having been renewed in both cases." Against such losses there is something to be said. The roof at Westminster Hall, for example, was mentioned as being "nearer the original roof than it had been for 300 years."

**Honours.**  
The time is coming when the only interest that any Honours List will have for those who care, will be the names of those recipients of the Order of Merit. The rest may go hang except where Honours men have proved their right to such self-sacrificing work. We have got to this stage of life when it is alleged that men "buy" honours by reason of the large subscriptions they are able to give to charities or public organizations; or by a period of honorary service of long duration. If that is so—and we hesitate to express our belief in the doctrine—such individuals may get what they can of such cheaply-bought distinctions. It seems to us to prostitute the ideals of service when it is known there is a price or fee attached to it. Some people have a genius for Committee work—and what is more important, the time. To such

there is a fairly wide scope of service in Hongkong. It may be argued that not many seem to take advantage of it. It may be so. Many are indifferent, but quite a number have responsible claims of business or profession which demands attention—often whole time—whilst the fleeting nature of residence of most of us, develops a "maskoe" feeling regarding certain avenues of honorary service. This is by the way. Our point is that the ideal of disinterested service should ever be kept to the fore. Kipling expresses it definitely and beautifully for all time when he says:—  
And only the Master shall praise us,  
and only the Master shall blame;  
And no one shall work for money,  
and no one shall work for fame;  
But each for the joy of the work,  
and each in his separate star,  
Shall draw the Thing as he sees it,  
For the God of Things as They are!

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**THE BALD**  
Men are more vain than women, we are told, but their hair-dressers keep their secrets.

Tonsor, who in hirsute reading. Hast our secrets to thy long, long. Whisper not the mystic art. Which the tall tale cranium covers. For the help of ageing lovers.

Who are careful how to "part." Tho' we're vain we boast but vainly. Time and trouble mark us plainly. Yet thine art suggests a doubt. Save as in my own condition. When, to mock a lost ambition. As thou se'st, my secret's out! A. W.

**DIGGING**  
Sir Ernest Wallis Budge, who, under the age limit, has THE PAST reluctantly retired from the post of Keeper of Egyptian and Assyrian Antiquities at the British Museum, joined the staff in 1893. It was just after the British guns had destroyed the forts of Alexandria, thereby opening up the road by which Egyptologists of all nationalities might travel. The immense amount of excavation since has brought the number of objects in the Egyptian collection at Bloomsbury from 18,000 to nearly 58,000. An even greater increase has taken place in the Babylonian and Assyrian collection, which now numbers about 120,000 articles, compared with 35,000 40 years ago.

The announcement that an unshaped vase of Sussex iron RAILINGS, is to come under the hammer at Sotheby's shortly will surprise many people who have no knowledge of the existence of this commodity. The pastoral slopes of Sussex now hide what was the ironfield of England from the time of the early Britons, and the quiet town of Lewes was subsidised for its iron tonnage in the time of Henry III., whose monument was formed of Sussex iron. Probably London's best known example of the metal is the railings around St. Paul's Cathedral, which weigh 200 tons, and cost £11,000.

At one time the old records of the City of London were treated with but slight regard by the authorities, and in many cases valuable documents have been lost through carelessness. Now the custom is growing up of placing the Minutes of the Parishes in the Guildhall Library for safe custody, and for consultation by students of London. The records, for instance, of St. Lawrence Jewry, the Corporation Church, which is the lineal descendant of Dick Whittington's Chapel, have just been received at the Guildhall. The earliest of these records bears the date of 1518.

In an elementary school a teacher DECALOGUE had given a lesson in an infant's class on the Ten Commandments. In order to test their memories she asked: "Can anyone give me a Commandment with only four words in it?" A hand was raised immediately. "You may answer, Harold." "Keep off the grass" was the reply.

**To-day's Poem.**  
(Nurse's Song.)  
When the voices of children are heard on the green,  
And laughing is heard on the hill,  
My heart is at rest within my breast,  
And everything else is still.

"Then come home, my children, the sun is gone down,  
And the dew of night arise;  
Come, come, leave off play, and let us away  
Till the morning appears in the skies."

"No, no, let us play, for it is yet day,  
And we cannot go to sleep;  
Besides, in the sky the little birds fly,  
And the hills are all covered with sheep."

"Well, well, go and play till the light fades away,  
And then go home to bed."  
The little ones leaped and shouted and laughed,  
And all the hills echoed.

William Blake (1757-1827).

**WEATHER CALENDAR.**  
JUNE 5.

1761. I have scarce been able to stir out of the house since Monday morning; my workmen are all at a stand, and the deluge seems to be arrived before my ark is half ready.—Voltaire.

Professor and Mrs. Simpson, Professor and Mrs. Hinton, Professor and Mrs. Roffey, Mr. E. Ho Tung, Professor and Mrs. Wang, Miss J. Ho Tung, and Mr. J. R. Hindmarsh are passengers on the outgoing "Kashima Maru" which left yesterday.

The engagement of Mr. William David Murray, of the China Postal Service, and Miss Emily Jilly, of the Peking U.M.C. has recently been announced. The wedding is to take place on June 14, at the British Legation Chapel.

Lance-Sergeant Waller prosecuted Leung Tai, master of the steam launch "Fook Hing," at the Marine Court this morning, for failing to observe the rule of the road on May 29.

Giving evidence Sergeant Waller said that he signalled defendant to stop and the latter passed within a launch's length of the police launch.

Defendant's excuse was that a "Star Ferry" launch was very close and he did not think the signal was for him. He was fined \$10.

## POINTS OF VIEW.

I never travel first class.—Mr. Jack Jones, M.P.  
The miner is always in the trenches.—Mr. F. Hodges, M.P.  
The really big men always listen to suggestions.—Mr. Godfrey Tearle.

Women are a little too hysterical for Parliament.—Miss Viola Tree.  
My fundamental being—please don't laugh—is melancholy.—Charlie Chaplin.

Neurasthenia is the curse of modern civilisation.—The Westminster Coroner.  
Christian politics must fight their way at the polling booths.—Canon Donaldson.

It may be a misfortune to be a gentleman; it is hardly a crime.—Mr. Raymond Mortimer.  
The claim of the teacher feminist is no longer for equal rights, but for the canonisation of the spinster.—Mr. F. C. Greaves.

You may talk through the telephone and write letters, but the commercial traveller is still the intelligence department of his firm.—Mr. R. Buxton.

If the Primrose League had found their fears were founded on the arrival of the Socialist Government the Archbishop of York, instead of welcoming the Socialist Premier, would be reading the burial service over the British Empire.—Mr. Ben Riley.

**SHADOWS BEFORE.**  
Coming Events Advertised in The Mail.

**ENTERTAINMENTS.**  
June 5.—Coronet Theatre: "Neighbours."  
June 5.—The Star Theatre: "The Hope."  
June 5.—World Theatre: "The Dancer of the Nile."  
June 5.—Queen's Theatre: "Seeing is Believing."

**SOCIAL.**  
June 7.—Whitsuntide Carnival at Repulse Bay Hotel.  
June 12.—Mr. William Heughan, well known Basso-Baritone, will sing at the Peak Club, 9.30 p.m.

**SPORT.**  
June 7-9.—Fourth Extra Race Meeting of the H.K. Jockey Club.  
June 6.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Rooms, household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

June 11.—Lammert Bros., at the premises of the H.K. Tramway Co., Ltd., Bowring Canal Road, East, steam driven electric generating plant, 8 p.m.

**MEETINGS.**  
June 6.—Bible study circle at Helena May Institute, conducted by Rev. G. R. Lindsay. (Open to all women), 10.30 a.m.  
June 7.—Half-yearly meeting of Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club, Hongkong Club Annex, 12.30 p.m.

June 11.—Second annual meeting of the Peak Resident Assn. at Peak Club, 6.15 p.m.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

His Honour Mr. A. Dyer Ball, Acting Police Judge, reserved judgment yesterday in a case in which the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Company were sued by a foreman for a month's wages in lieu of notice. Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. H. C. Macnamara represented the company.

Three deaths occurred during the voyage of the "Seyo Maru" which left Valparaiso on February 28, Mike on May 30 and arrived here yesterday. A Japanese child passed away on March 19 and another the next day. On April 29 a Chinese passenger succumbed to consumption. There was also a Chinese case of leprosy on board.

**SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.**

Mr. H. W. Stevenson the famous billiard player was a passenger on the "Empress of Australia" which arrived to-day.

The wedding of Mr. G. Carl Earde, formerly of the editorial staff of the Hongkong Daily Press, took place at Rangoon yesterday.

Hon. Mr. Holyoak, Mr. B. W. Bradbury, Mrs. Dalgety, Mr. C. S. Gubbay, Mr. J. K. Heughan, Mr. S. P. Leigh, Mr. R. J. Northcott, and Mr. Li Cho-chi returned to the Colony by the "Empress of Australia."

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## DERBY RESULT.

SAN SOVINO'S EASY  
VICTORY.

SIX LENGTHS WIN.

London, June 4.  
San Sovino ..... (Weston) 1  
St. Germans ..... (F. Bullock) 2  
Hurstwood ..... (V. Smyth) 3  
The betting was:—  
9/2 San Sovino, 100/7 St. Germans, 10/1 Hurstwood. Twenty-seven ran.  
Won by six lengths; a neck between second and third.

There was persistent rain at Epsom and the going was heavy. An enormous crowd was present. Their Majesties the King and Queen, the Prince of Wales and other royalties were present.

There was a false start, in which Grand Joy, Browdale, Tom Pinch and Woodend got going for a farlong. Eventually the barrier ascended to a fair start but Salmon Trout, Corolet and St. Germans were crowded out. Dawson City made play from Arasulo, Defiance, Polyphontes, Denzelon, Woodend, Skylight, Tom Pinch, Hurstwood and Spalpeen. These were quickly racing clear of San Sovino, Parmenio and Bright Knight. At the mile post San Sovino improved his position and joined Dawson City when descending the hill. Round Tattenham Corner Dawson City was beaten by San Sovino who, on entering the straight, was well clear of St. Germans, Hurstwood, Polyphontes and Parmenio.

At a quarter-mile from home Lord Derby's colt increased his lead and won easily amid tremendous cheering.

Parmenio was fourth. Polyphontes fifth and Salmon Trout sixth. Time 2/46.3/5.

An earlier cable stated:—Bright Knight was to be ridden by Lane, St. Germans by Frank Bullock, Bucks Yeoman by Smirke, Browdale by Wragg, Canusa by Lister, Corolet by Morris, Resinato by Archibald.

Knight of the Garter, Despatch, Sandblast and Royal Sequence had been scratched.

Another earlier cable added:—Browdale was to be ridden by B. Lynch and the following were scratched:—Solar Eclipse, Anchorite, Balderston and Santoro.

**PERSISTENT BOATMEN.**  
For using drags on that part of the Naval Anchorage where H.M.S. "Bluebell" is tied up, the masters of three fishing boats were prosecuted before Lieut. Commander Conway Hake, R.N.R., Marine Magistrate, at the Marine Court this morning.

Sub-Inspector Bond testified that about 8.30 yesterday morning a telephone message was received from the Naval Yard. A subordinate officer who was sent along, dispersed the craft in the vicinity but the boats were all back again in the afternoon when defendants were arrested. Sub-Inspector Bond told His Worship that dragging for articles from the harbour-bed was a common practice.

Each of the defendants was fined \$5.

**WORLD'S RECORD.**  
The local distributors of the Tire and Rubber Company of Akron, Ohio, U.S.A., have just received the following cablegram from the Firestone Company:—

Dated at Akron, Ohio, June 3.  
"Joe Beyer driving Ducesberg Special wins 500-Mile Indianapolis Speedway Race May 30 on Firestone Gum-Dipped Cords. He set a new World's Record of 98.24 miles per hour. First ten cars all equipped with Firestone Gum-Dipped Cords."

(Signed) FIRESTONE.  
This race is one of the ten American National Automobile Championship Races held each year.

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Professor and Mrs. Simpson, Professor and Mrs. Hinton, Professor and Mrs. Roffey, Mr. E. Ho Tung, Professor and Mrs. Wang, Miss J. Ho Tung, and Mr. J. R. Hindmarsh are passengers on the outgoing "Kashima Maru" which left yesterday.

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# WORLD FLIGHT. AMERICANS REACH SHANGHAI.

AEROPLANES BEING OVERHAULED.

POSSIBLE START FOR HONGKONG TO-MORROW.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, June 4.

Two United States Army planes arrived here at 3 o'clock this afternoon, Lieut. Lowell H. Smith, having been delayed owing to engine trouble.

Movies were taken of the airmen who were introduced to about a hundred people.

Interviewed, the airmen said they had enjoyed fine weather the whole way, flying at 500 feet.

Departure has been delayed owing to Lieut. Smith's absence, but the airmen hope to leave for Hongkong as soon as possible, as they are already behind their scheduled time.

They overhauled their planes to-morrow, when Lieut. Smith is also expected to arrive.

The airmen will probably leave Shanghai for Hongkong via Amoy on Friday or Saturday.

## PERFECT FLIGHT.

(Reuter's Service.)

SHANGHAI, June 5.

Sergeant Ogden, mechanic of one of the American planes, found a commission awaiting him in Shanghai. He was sworn in last night as a lieutenant of the United States Army. Both Lieuts Wade and Nelson described the flight as the most perfect since they left Santa Monica.

## EARLIER CABLES.

(Through Reuter's Agency.)

KAGOSHIMA, June 4.

Lieut. Smith's aeroplane engine is being repaired prior to his departure for Shanghai.

SHANGHAI, June 4.

The other two American airmen have arrived.

They made a perfect landing at 3.15 p.m. They were welcomed by the American Consul-General.

Large Chinese and foreign crowds witnessed their arrival. The river was packed with launches and sampans.

WASHINGTON, June 3.

At Major Martin's request, the official command of the American fliers has been transferred to Lt. Smith.

## FRENCH FLIGHT.

AIKMAN IN KOREA.

TAIKU (KOREA), June 4.

Capt. D'Oisy has arrived.

NAGASAKI, June 5.

Captain D'Oisy hopped off at Taikoo this morning for Japan but owing to dense fog returned to Taikoo.

He is reported as intending to make another attempt on Saturday.

THE PORTUGUESE FLIGHT.

CALCUTTA, June 4.

The Portuguese airmen have left for Akyab.

AKYAB, June 4.

The Portuguese airmen have arrived here from Calcutta.

## DOUBLE TRACK.

LATEST TRAMWAY ENTERPRISE.

CAUSEWAY BAY TO SHAIKIWAN.

After a good deal of talk in various circles, an official announcement has been made that the Tramway Co. will apply to the Government for permission to lay down a double track on that part of the line which has now a single track with curves here and there for crossing—between Causeway Bay and Shaukiwan.

Mr. W. E. Roberts, secretary and general manager of the Hongkong Tramways, Ltd., courteously informed the China Mail this morning that it was proposed to lay down the double track as soon as possible. He hinted that the company desired the additional line but progress would be governed by the speed with which the new main road was pushed ahead.

To attain the object of finishing the whole job quickly, the Tramway Co. would lay down parts as soon as any section of the new road warranted. Laying down would be started shortly on that part between Taikoo Dock East Gate and Shaukiwan which measures approximately half a mile. The work of laying down this part would take from two to three months and when completed would be available for use immediately. Other sections would also be doubled when the road was further pushed ahead.

Mr. Roberts said he could not give any definite estimate as to when the whole line, measuring about four miles, would be doubled as it all depended on how fast the road was made. It was felt that after the half mile referred to was finished the company would have to wait before another section would be ready for the track to be laid down.

## PECULIAR ERROR.

SIGHTSEERS WANDER INTO POLICE STATION.

Apparently, No. 7 Police Station has the distinction of being one of the sights of Hongkong, though not officially in the best guide books.

Two Chinese, one a country lad and the other, a dashing youth of the city, told an amusing tale at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Last night they were "doing the town," one, the visitor and his friend, the guide. In what degree of exhilaration they were enjoying at the time is best known to themselves, but by an error of judgment, they wandered into the No. 7 Police Station expecting to find a bevy of capricious sing song girls and a scene of merriment. Instead they were turned stone cold by the stern face of the inspector on duty.

When the wanderers were charged with trespass before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning, they explained that they thought the place was a house of ill fame.

Inspector Shaftain remarked to the Magistrate that he believed the men's story. One of them, had landed in the Colony a few days before and the other had promised to show him round, leading him into the Police Station by mistake.

The Magistrate administered a caution and warned the sightseers not to visit the other place.

## KING'S PARK SUICIDE.

OLD WOMAN HANGING FROM TREE.

The body of an old Chinese woman was found hanging from a tree in King's Park, Kowloon early yesterday morning.

Her age was estimated by the Police at 60. So far she has not been identified.

Apparently it is a suicide.

## DRAGON FESTIVAL.

TO-MORROW'S NOTABLE ANNIVERSARY.

NORTH POINT RACES.

To-morrow is the fifth day of the fifth moon according to the Chinese calendar. A reference to a well-known diary also tells us that it is the 3rd day of Zulkaidah, a Bank and Customs holiday and Mang-Chung which means "Sprouting Seeds." With the last named we are not for the moment concerned. It is merely a date in the Chinese calendar and has certain significance for China's great majority of agriculturists. But the fifth day of the fifth moon is essentially the Dragon Boat Festival or "Tien-chung-chieh" or "Tuen Yeung Chit" as it is better known in the Cantonese vernacular.

In Hongkong the festivities are mainly confined to the Dragon Boat races. It has not been observed as a general holiday till recent years when the advent of labour unions brought about a day of rest for the toiler.

When the late Sir Henry May was Governor he seldom withheld his patronage from the races at Aberdeen. The events at this place have gradually lost favour for want of a generous person to donate prizes of roast pork, etc., and during the last few years races on more practical lines have been staged at North Point, where they have attracted large crowds.

At Canton the significance of the festival is now almost lost. Dragon Boat races in the City of Rams have been not for some time as the authorities found difficulty in coping with the attendant disorderly outbreaks. The Dragon boatman's sense of sport was that one crew seldom hesitated to strike or even open fire at a rival crew that was forging ahead.

Although the true origin of the festival is obscure it is strictly observed as one of the four settling days in South China business circles. At home the women participate in various rituals but the concern of the sterner sex is to arrange an appropriate feast.

An "old custom" attached to the festival is the practice of making packets of prepared rice, this being traced to some event in Chinese mythology when a certain conscientious but disappointed statesman is said to have drowned himself in a river over grief at his wife's refusal of well meant advice.

For the last few days, specimens of the strange craft have been seen in the harbour making their way to various places to hold practice races. The Dragon Boat is a long affair just wide enough for two men to sit abreast. Each man carries a paddle and in the Hongkong boats there are usually about twenty-five pairs in each boat. (At Canton the boats were generally longer having room for about fifty pairs of paddlers.) Each boat includes in its complement a drummer and a man to beat a gong, those taking the place of the "cox" who sets the pace. Banners won in previous years will also be put in the boat to urge the crew on to greater feats.

It is expected that races will be held at North Point to-morrow and will be a sight well worth seeing.

## BLAKE PIER SCRAP.

COOLIES GET OUT OF HAND.

SERIOUS TROUBLE AVERTED.

What might have developed into a riot occurred outside Blake Pier this morning when a gang of coolies who were working on the road got out of hand.

Some of them took up a very threatening attitude and, it is stated, actually came to blows. Working implements on the road were seized but just then police whistles were blown. Before any of the coolies had time to do any serious damage better counsels prevailed and the gang dispersed before the police arrived on the scene.

As no arrests were made it has not been possible to determine the cause of the scrap.

## COMPETITION.

RIVAL BUS DRIVERS OF KOWLOON.

"Every time a bus driver is summoned for passing buses of a rival company he will be heavily fined," said Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a driver for the Chung Hing Motor Bus Company appeared on a charge of reckless driving.

It was stated that the driver passed a stationary bus in Nathan Road at an excessive speed. He was fined \$25.

## CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

"ODIOUS REFERENCES" RESENTED.

The following letter has been sent to the China Mail by Messrs. Laurence and Stokes:—

4th June, 1924.

B. L. Frost Esq., Vice-President and Hon. Secretary, Hongkong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Dear Sir,

We have to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of 3rd instant.

In reply we would assure you of our absolute conviction of the high aims which actuate you and your colleagues in the very excellent work you prosecute with such laudable zeal.

It is the method and not the matter to which we take exception.

With regard to sub-section 13 of Section 3 of Ordinance No. 15 of 1903, and to the posters to which you draw our attention, it is our considered opinion that, whether the Ordinance has been in existence for 21 years or not, there is no accrued right to deem any man guilty of an act committed by another.

The actual point of our argument is that, in the laudable desire to render the animal world immune from needless suffering, the Objects and Reasons of the draft Bill as published in the Gazette of the 18th ult. unnecessarily put one more burden on shoulders already grievously and unjustly loaded with vicious responsibilities.

The Master, when it is impossible, inconvenient, or unduly expensive to sheet the crime home to the actual offender, leap the responsibility upon the master!

The training and environments of the British Mercantile Marine Officer must, and undoubtedly do, tend to bring out the most humane feelings; a call of distress, be it from man or beast, requires no repetition; by long usage and intimate acquaintance with the troubles which relentless accompany those who go down to the sea in ships, it has become automatic for him to respond to any S.O.S. immediately, and to endeavour, with the inadequate appliances at his disposal, to render first aid.

We are sailor-men and speak from experience! Why, then, is it necessary to stigmatise him as less than human by loosely worded legislation? There has been no "misapprehension" (vide S.C.M.P.) nor "misunderstanding" (vide H.C.S.) on our part, we quoted the words in the "Objects and Reasons" (we think, correctly) and deduced that the words, since explained away, were unnecessary and, therefore, odious. It is submitted that our deduction is amply justified in the reply of the Hon. Col. Sec. which explains, inter alia, that:—

"through inadvertence this reference was allowed to remain in the 'Objects and Reasons' when the sub-section was 'struck out of the Bill.'"

If it can be shown that the master or officer of any ship is guilty, as an accomplice, as an accessory before or after the fact, by any neglect of duty or even by any carelessness, the power to punish is amply provided by Clause 12 as published, and no special inclusion of any one by name or occupation, is necessary.

You say in your letter that the absence of complaints proves "that officers of ships trusted our Society to carry out the law with common sense." Apart from the fact that the words we complain of, being mandatory, rob you of any discretion, is it unreasonable to suggest that, in the absence of convictions of masters and officers of ships, they, on their part, can be trusted to carry out the law with humanity as well as common sense and that without odious references?

We learn with the greatest pleasure that you have several letters from masters and officers of ships begging you to take drastic action against (the perpetrators of?) the awful cruelty practised by the Chinese, which, we submit, goes far in support of our contention that sea-farers are not the cowardly ruffians which is implied by the Ordinance of 1903, and which odious implication has now been deleted from the draft bill to be presented to the Legislative Council.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) T. T. LAURENCE,  
(Sgd.) W. J. STOKES.

Prince Murat, who is a candidate in the French elections, was seriously injured by political opponents at a meeting at Cahors (60 miles from Toulouse).

## UNHAPPY MARRIAGE.

WIFE'S CHARGES AGAINST HUSBAND.

COUNTER COMPLAINTS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, June 4.

Mrs. Lena Brook petitioned H.B.M. Court to-day for restitution of conjugal rights against her husband, Mr. Edwin Brook to whom she was married in Shanghai in 1912. She said her husband left her in 1923.

Respondent alleged that his wife had a violent, uncontrolled temper and assaulted him. He alleged also that his wife admitted adultery with several persons in Tsingtao.

Petitioner denied the allegation. She said the quarrels started in 1922. When petitioner was away at Tsingtao she heard that her husband had been familiar with a Shanghai girl who had used petitioner's motor car.

Judgment was reserved.

## SUGAR KING DEAD.

WORLD'S "WEALTHIEST CHINESE."

MRS. WELLINGTON KOO'S FATHER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, June 4.

The death has occurred here of Mr. Oei Tion-han, the Java sugar king, father of Mrs. Wellington Koo and reputed to be the wealthiest Chinese in the world.

His estate is estimated at five hundred million guilders.

## FEEDING HONGKONG.

HOW OUR FOOD SUPPLIES ARE TAXED.

ILLEGAL BANDIT LEVIES.

Taking advantage of the temporary increase in the Hongkong demand for poultry owing to the Dragon Boat Festival when even the poorest Chinese household must have "chicken" on the table for to-morrow's auspicious festival, soldiery and bandits along that part of the West River above Wuchow have been increasing their extortions on livestock traders who bring their produce to Wuchow for export to Hongkong.

Hitherto, what was known as "safe conduct" payments to both troops and pirates for non-molestation, "local export levies" and other unauthorised collections have been made on livestock passing along the river. The total amount of these levies works out at about \$10 per crate of chickens. This means that Hongkong has been shouldering, on every West River bird consumed here, about seven cents per pound to pay these illegal taxes.

The turnover during the period just preceding a festival naturally increases and larger amounts have been demanded all round. As far as Hongkong is concerned, the net result is still higher prices as the levies merely add to first costs.

## VOLCANO PICTURE.

The eruption of the volcano in "The Hope," the spectacular melodrama which is now being shown at the... Theatre, is one of the most thrilling scenic effects that the big Metro production contains.

The volcano is first seen smouldering away and slowly emitting dense clouds of black smoke, which later give way to a violent outpouring of molten liquid that, together with the earthquake which accompanies the disturbance, completely wrecks the Italian village, and destroys the man who ruined the life of Olive Whitburn, as shown in the massive production's famous story.

WHOSE IS THE LAND?

MR. ANDREW HARPER ASKS A QUESTION.

When Mr. Andrew Harper appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning to answer a charge of causing an obstruction on a footpath at the side of his workshop, he told the Magistrate that nine large cases had been there for several months before the Government made the footpath. He had applied for a spare piece of land to store his cases near the railway track, but there had been some delay owing to difficulty in finding out to whom the land belonged.

Mr. Harper said he did not know whether it belonged to the P.W.D. or to the railway authorities.

The case was adjourned for a week.

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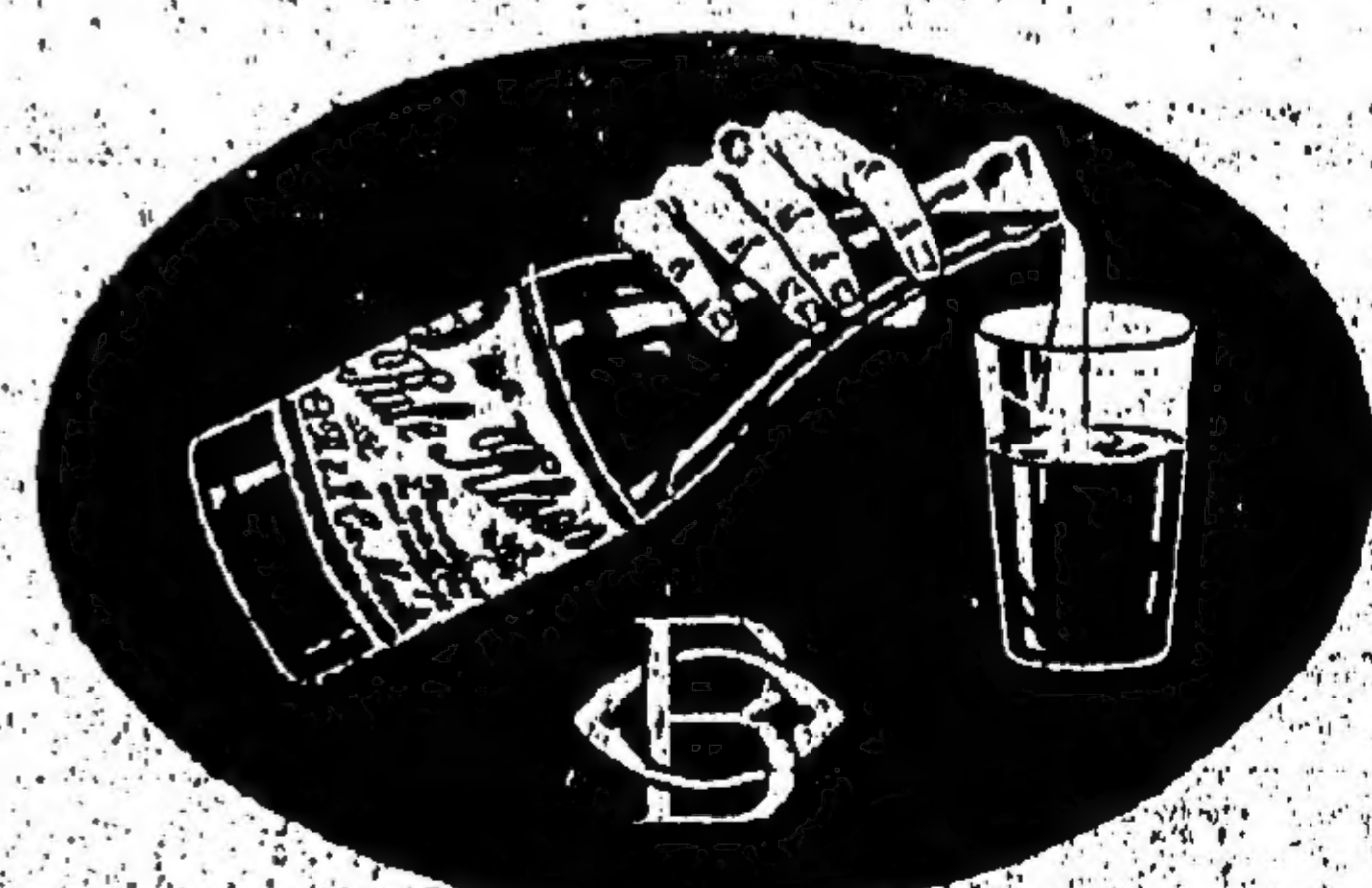
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## CAUGHT AT LAST.

ROBBER AT LARGE FOR  
NINE MONTHS.

A man arrested at Mongkok a month ago was alleged to have been one of four who committed an armed robbery at a bicycle shop at 50 Tai Nam Street, Shamshui, nine months back when he appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

A lot of the shop told the Court that on August 24 last year, four men entered the shop at different times and ordered mineral waters to drink, which were sold as a side line. When it came to time for payment, the men declared they had no money and apparently to make sure, put their hands in their pockets and instead of money, two of them produced revolvers and the others daggers. Witness and two companions were tied up and gagged. He recognised the accused as one of the men who came in for a mineral water.

Witness went on to say that the men took \$11 out of the till and then went into a rear cubicle of the shop.

The occupant of the rear room said he and his wife were seized by the robbers who demanded the key to his safe. He did not have it, but the intruders eventually found it under the bed, opened the safe took out \$242 in cash and some jewellery. He also recognised the accused as being one of the robbers.

The case was adjourned until this afternoon.

## CHARGE DISMISSED.

The case in which Natta Singh, clerk and interpreter at the Central Magistracy is charged with obtaining \$5 and \$3.50 by false pretences from two complainants alleged by the prosecution to have been paid over to defendant as stamp fee for a summons, was resumed before Mr. C. D. Melbourne yesterday.

For the defence, Mr. G. K. Hull Brutton submitted that the allegations made by Mohamed Noor, the complainant, were absurd. He asked if no more extraordinary thing could be imagined than the complainant paying over \$5 for an illegal purpose in the lobby outside the general office.

Natta Singh, called to give evidence, said he had been in Government service for fifteen years. As regards the incident out of which the charge has arisen he said that Mohamed Noor for whom he was making out the summonses offered him \$5 as "court fees" and he told him there were none. He believed the man was offering him a bribe.

The Magistrate decided that no proof would convict on the evidence of the conviction and defendant would be discharged on the first two charges. The other two charges involving \$3.50 would be brought up this afternoon.

## Take This Before Going

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## JAPAN'S THANKS.

HONGKONG ASSISTANCE  
APPRECIATED.

The Colonial Secretary forwards copies of the following correspondence which has passed between the Mayor of Yokohama and the Government of Hongkong:

Yokohama City Office,  
Yokohama, April 25th, 1924.

DEAR SIR,—On behalf of the people of this city, with the vote of thanks of the City Assembly of Yokohama, I have the honour to express my profound gratitude for the various aids given to our destitute sufferers of the unprecedented calamity which overwhelmed the entire city of Yokohama on the first of September last year.

The most prompt and timely relief forwarded here by your people and Government have been great encouragement to facilitate rehabilitation and reconstruction of this city, and at present there is not any one who is not engaged in his former occupation or some new enterprise to make this city greater and more prosperous. And the port of Yokohama which was badly crippled as the city is recovering fast, and its capacity and facilities will be enlarged and improved for foreign trade and shipping.

As the mayor of this city, I will be very much obliged to you if you kindly convey my sincere thanks to all of your people who were so kind to help us in time of great need, and please inform them that they have surely cemented the most cordial relations existing between your country and Japan.

I avail of this opportunity to assure your honour, of my highest consideration.

(Sd.) K. WATANABE,  
Mayor of Yokohama.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, May 30th, 1924.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th April conveying a vote of thanks of the City Assembly of Yokohama to the Government of Hongkong and the people of the Colony of Hongkong for the relief sent at the time of the great calamity on the first of September last.

This Government has received your letter with great pleasure, and I will convey your thanks to all those who joined in sending help, and give them your kind message. I can assure you that the Government and people of Hongkong consider it a great privilege to have been able to do something to mitigate the distress caused by the calamity, and they are much pleased to hear that the City and Port of Yokohama are being so rapidly rehabilitated and reconstructed.—I am, etc.

(Sd.) CLAUD SEVERN,  
Colonial Secretary.

His Honour,  
The Mayor of Yokohama,  
Yokohama.



## OFFICIAL AND LAWYER.

SEQUEL TO INCIDENT IN  
MOTOR CAR.

A CHARGE OF ASSAULT.

On receiving an expression of regret for what had happened, Mr. J. W. Franks, Superintendent of Prisons withdrew a charge of assault preferred against Mr. E. W. Corbett, solicitor, at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Before making a statement Mr. C. D. Melbourne, the Magistrate, asked whether it could not be settled out of Court.

Mr. Franks: I am quite prepared to do it if he takes a certain line, but Mr. Corbett does not see eye to eye with me. It depends on Mr. Corbett, who knows my attitude in the matter.

The defendant: I am afraid I cannot fathom Mr. Franks' attitude. It has put me in a most peculiar position.

Mr. Franks then made the following statement:—On Sunday, May 25, about 2.30 p.m., I was driving my car between the Naval Yard and the Cricket ground, when I was struck on the arm with a stick. I heard someone say: "Wake-up!" I stopped my car, found that Mr. Corbett was the user of the stick, and he said: "Why don't you blow your horn?" I don't know that I returned my definite answer, because I had no intention of sounding my horn. There was no necessity for it. I asked him if he knew who I was, and he replied that he knew. I then told him he was guilty of a piece of impertinence, and the matter closed there so far as I was concerned. I expected to get an apology from him—I did not get it. On the following Tuesday, in reply to my letter, he wrote a long letter justifying himself rather than apologising. I then wrote to him that unless an apology was forthcoming I would proceed with the matter. He saw me afterwards. We could not come to an agreement. My attitude was that unless he withdrew the letter I should proceed with the case. I was quite prepared to withdraw the summons if he would withdraw the letter and apologise. As he did not do so, we are here this morning.

Replying, Mr. Corbett said he maintained in his own interest and in the interest of the public, he was justified in stopping Mr. Franks when he drove in that negligent manner, not sounding his horn. Mr. Franks said he touched him with a stick, which seemed to hurt him in some way. It was quite an accident.

Mr. Franks said it was up to Mr. Corbett to offer him an apology. As a result of that "touch" with the stick he had a bruise on his arm the following morning, and could produce witnesses who saw it.

Defendant said he saw Mr. Franks on Saturday morning and asked him whether he would withdraw the summons, in the light of the letter he had written, which he considered was a reasonable and sensible explanation justifying a withdrawal of the summons. Any action afterwards would be vindictive on his part, and not in the public interest at all.

Mr. Corbett went on to say that he understood that Government servants had to apply to the Colonial Secretary's Office for permission to take out summonses. If that had been done in this case, Mr. Franks had either to withdraw his summons or admit that he was wrong. "I told Mr. Franks that if I had hit him with the stick I was sorry for it," said defendant, "I cannot say I was sorry for stopping the car. I did not know; it might have been the Governor's car."

Mr. Franks: I don't remember Mr. Corbett saying he was sorry, but I did presume he was sorry. He said that my action was vindictive. It is not vindictive. It is the interests of motorists of the Colony. If a person whilst driving is liable to be struck with a stick there is considerable danger to the community.

Defendant having repeated that he was sorry, the complainant, with the Magistrate's permission, withdrew the summons.

Rome, June 4.—The King and Queen of Italy have started for Spezia, where they will embark on the warship "Dante Alighieri" for Valencia to visit the Spanish Sovereigns.—*Reuter.*

London, June 4.—Whilst telephony has been successfully tested between England and Australia by the Marconi system, Mr. Marconi, interviewed, said he used a new system, but without the "beam." He predicted that distance will be no obstacle with the new system, which comprises something more than a beam.—*Reuter.*

## WHO'S WHO.

LATEST CHINA COAST  
CHANGES.

Mr. J. Taylor, chief officer, "Lanan," is on reserve.  
Mr. V. D. H. Bidwell, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Lanan."

Mr. W. Mackay, from leave, has gone third engineer, "Nanning."  
Mr. H. A. Morrison, second engineer, "Nanning," has gone acting chief engineer, "Yangpeh."

Mr. D. S. Whyte, chief engineer, "Yangpeh," is on leave.  
Mr. A. G. Phennier, third engineer, "Nanning," has gone second engineer, same ship.

Mr. R. T. Sandison, second engineer, "Kanchow," has gone second engineer, "Shuntien."  
Mr. J. A. Young, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Kanchow."

Mr. W. C. Sinclair, sup'y chief engineer, "Shuntien," is on reserve.  
Mr. J. W. Kennedy, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Tatung."

Mr. E. J. A. Porter, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Tuckwo."  
Mr. E. Gosling, acting chief officer, "Tuckwo," has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. E. McNab, from leave, has gone third engineer, "Tuckwo."  
Mr. R. G. Lowden, from reserve, has gone third officer, "Namsang."

Mr. L. Bones, third officer, "Namsang," is on reserve.  
Mr. W. G. Walter, third officer, "Taisang," has gone third officer, "Chukang."  
Mr. J. M. Meikle, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Taisang."

Mr. H. R. Dobson, chief officer, "Taisang," is on reserve.  
Mr. J. B. Evans, from third officer, "Taisang," has gone acting second officer, same ship.

Mr. H. H. Fantham, second officer, "Taisang," is on reserve.  
Mr. W. T. Bould, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Wosang."

Mr. W. Aitchison, second engineer, "Wosang," is on leave.  
Mr. P. Mungall, chief engineer, "Kaiping," is on leave.

Mr. C. Read, second engineer, "Kaiping," has gone acting chief engineer, same ship.

Mr. R. A. Pritchard, second officer, "Wing Hong," has gone acting chief officer, same ship.  
Mr. T. Pritchard, chief officer, "Wing Hong," has gone master, "Haidis."

Captain E. W. Lawson, of the "Haidis," is on reserve.

## BASEBALL.

NEW YORK, June 4.

The latest baseball results are as follow:  
National League: New York beat Brooklyn in a double-header, by 9-2 and 3-2. Philadelphia beat St. Louis, 6-0. Boston lost to Cincinnati, 1-5. *Reuter.*

## AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Chicago..... 3 New York ... 3  
Detroit..... 1 Washington ... 11  
St. Louis..... 7 Boston ..... 8  
—*Reuter.*

## TO-DAY'S

## ADVERTISEMENTS.

## PEAK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

SECOND ANNUAL MEETING  
PEAK CLUB

WEDNESDAY 11TH JUNE, 1924.

6.15 P.M.

E. B. C. HORNEILL,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th June, 1924.

## PEAK CLUB.

MEMBERS AND SUBSCRIBERS who have not as yet booked their seats for the

WILLIAM HEUGHAN CONCERT

ON

THURSDAY, 12th JUNE at 9.30 p.m.

are requested to do so as soon as possible to enable the Entertainment Committee to arrange for the seating accommodation in the Ball Room that evening.

E. B. C. HORNEILL,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th June, 1924.

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## TO-DAY'S

## ADVERTISEMENTS.

## BANK HOLIDAY.

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be closed for the transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, the 9th June, 1924.

Hongkong, 4th June, 1924.

## NOTICE.

OWING to my impending departure from the Colony, I shall be glad if anyone having accounts against me will send them in at the earliest possible moment.  
N. L. WATSON.  
Hongkong, 5th June, 1924.

## PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

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Hongkong, 5th June, 1924.

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AT THE WORLD THEATRE

## DUCK DIES.

## HAWKER CHARGED WITH CRUELTY.

Carrying five ducks and two fowls by their legs and causing unnecessary pain to them was alleged against a Chinese hawkker who appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning.

According to the Police, the man was seen carrying the ducks and fowls by their legs in two bundles. One of the ducks died five minutes after it had been taken to the police station.

The Magistrate asked the hawkker if he would like to be carried by the legs and imposed a fine of \$5.

## STUDENT ATTACKED.

## ROBBERS' ABORTIVE ATTEMPT.

Robbers were scared off when they attempted to break into a Chinese student's rooms yesterday afternoon.

Ng Chey-ying reports to the Police that three men broke into his house at 37 Tung Street. Two of them had revolvers and the other a dagger. He raised an alarm and the robbers look fright and bolted. Two of them, however, were arrested. When searched a toy pistol was found strapped to one of the men's legs.

## QUEEN'S THEATRE.

A bright, sparkling comedy, with tense situations relieved by keen humour is the attraction which will be shown for the last time at the Queen's Theatre to-day and to-morrow. It is "Seeing's Believing," starring Viola Dana, the much praised little actress. There is seldom a dull moment in the picture and is one of the best this captivating star has made.

## ARMS TRAFFIC.

Tientsin, June 4.—The Customs detained 58 cases of wine from Genoa destined to a Tientsin Italian firm, owing to the discovery of 23 pistols and 5,000 cartridges in a false bottom case.—*Courtesy Daily Bulletin.*

One case of small pox and one case of enteric fever (both Chinese) were notified yesterday.

Peking, June 4.—The Cabinet has requested special meetings of the two Houses of Parliament to-morrow at which the Premier will fully report on the Sino-German negotiations, and if Parliament approves, the Sino-German Agreement will probably be signed on Friday or Saturday.—*Reuter.*

There was a meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday at which Mr. N. L. Smith presided. Others present were Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., Dr. W. W. Pearce, M.O.H., the Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin and Mr. G. Kennedy Skipton (Secretary). The Chairman proposed and Mr. Wong Kwong-tin seconded that a public lairine be erected in Man Ming Lane, Yumati. This was carried. There was no other business of public importance.

Three Chinese died from cerebro-spinal fever last week, and one from small-pox. Of four cases of diphtheria, two were British and two Chinese. There were two deaths. Two out of six cases of enteric were imported. Three were Chinese, one British, one Dane and one Japanese. There were three deaths. One case out of three of paratyphoid was imported. Two were Chinese and one British—no deaths. During Monday and Tuesday two cases of small-pox and two of enteric were reported, all Chinese.

Peking, June 4.—M. Bleuler, the representative of the Russo-Asiatic Bank has handed to the Walchiapou a formal protest on behalf of shareholders and bondholders in the Chinese-Eastern Railway Co. against the violation of their rights in the Sino-Soviet Agreement, which it is alleged, was signed without the knowledge of the said shareholders and bondholders. Copies of the protest have been given to the Peking representatives of the eight Powers who signed the Washington Treaty.—*Reuter.*

## A FLAT TYRE.

## PUSHING HOME A MOTOR CYCLE.

## WRONG SIDE OF ROAD.

Mr. H. W. Chaney of Messrs. Palmer and Turners was fined \$5 by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for driving his motor cycle on the wrong side of Salisbury Road at 11 p.m. on May 18.

Mr. Chaney explained that he was pushing home his cycle from the Ferry past the Railway station. One of the tyres was flat and not having a pump, he decided to push the cycle home. The engine was running in second gear.

An Indian constable said Mr. Chaney was riding his cycle and not pushing it. He ran up to him and told him that he was riding on the wrong side of the road and would summon him.

In reply to this, Mr. Chaney said if he had been riding the constable could not have caught him up. The Magistrate said defendant was particularly wrong and in reply to Mr. Chaney's remark that he was not riding the cycle, added that the regulations stated that all moving traffic was to come on the right and go on the left. Defendant's cycle was moving.

Mr. Chaney went on to say that he was propelling the cycle and was not being propelled by the cycle.

Mr. Hamilton said he found the summons proved on defendant's own statement.

Mr. Chaney's record produced showed that he had been previously convicted three times for reckless driving, disobeying police signals and speeding.

The Magistrate said the present charge was not very serious but if Mr. Chaney came up again with that record he would be heavily fined.

## CENOTAPH LOITERERS.

Much has been said about the loitering of Chinese at the steps of the Cenotaph. An impression has been given that the police have not deemed it necessary to place a constable on point duty there to prevent the steps being used as reclining couches. This, however, the *China Mail* learns, is not correct.

Months ago orders were given out from Central for a man to be on duty at the Cenotaph with the object of keeping trespassers off. During the cold season his duty was rendered unnecessary by the coolies keeping themselves elsewhere, presumably under cover. It is only recently that loiterers have been noticed again and every morning at eight, a Chinese constable goes on duty to keep the coolies off.

## COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

## SALVAGE COMPANY.

A British company, to be registered under the Hongkong Ordinances, is in the course of formation by Messrs. Bowers & Co., ship brokers and general shipping agents, of Shanghai, as managers and agents for the purchase of two large and powerful salvage tug-boats, on which an option has been secured, and several large new cargo lighters for operating on the China Coast, for towing, cargo transportation and salvage purposes. The salvage boats are fitted with wireless and all the latest appliances for this class of work and will carry expert engineers and divers well experienced in wrecking operations. Salvage operations will be conducted on the principle of "no success, no payment."

Support has been promised to the promoters by ship owners, insurance companies, dock companies, etc., who are interested. It is anticipated that the company will be formed and floated as soon as the prospectus and full details are issued to those who have agreed to take shares in the company. A few shares will be placed on the market for sale.

The Committee of Experts appointed by the temporary Mixed Commission of the League of Nations and sitting at Prague to study the private manufacture of armaments has evolved a system based on the idea of granting licences and thus preventing excessive manufacture.

## MAN WITH 15 POSTS.

## NO HOLIDAY FOR 30 YEARS.

Mr. Henry Layton Staffurth, a Bognor solicitor, who is over 60 and who has been elected chairman of the Bognor Urban District Council, has not taken a holiday for more than 30 years. Mr. Staffurth, who was clerk to the local authority for 29 years and also clerk to the school board, holds the following appointments:—

Honorary correspondent to the managers of the Bognor council schools.

Vice-chairman of the Church Managers and Teachers' Association.

Member of the Provincial Sunday School Council.

Member of the Westhampton Board of Guardians.

A diocesan lay reader.

Hon. secretary of the local Ruridecanal Council.

Hon. secretary and treasurer of the Bognor branch of the National Citizens' Union.

Hon. secretary of the Bognor branch of the Lifboat Institution.

Local secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

Vice-chairman of the Parochial Church Council.

Secretary of the Bognor Water Company.

Clerk of the Bognor Old-Age Pensions Committee.

A member of the West Sussex County Council.

A member of the West Sussex Education Committee.

## "THE NEXT WORLD."

## SIR OLIVER LODGE'S THEORY.

Sir Oliver Lodge's new book, "The Making of Man" (Hodder and Stoughton, 3s. 6d.), contains thoughts on this life and hereafter of exquisite interest.

He declares "man is unfinished"; and he answers his own question, "Why is so much human wrong and suffering permitted by Almighty Power?" as follows:—

Because in the Creation of man an exceptionally lofty result was aimed at, the achievement of which was bound to be slow and painful, but which was foreseen as in the long run making all the effort and suffering worth while. A free and noble creature was contemplated, one who was fitted to become a companion of Deity. . . . We should overcome our moods of sadness and perplexity and realise that man-made evils can be overcome by man.

In a deeply interesting passage speculating on the functions of the Ether he suggests that the material vehicle utilised by Life and Mind "perhaps need not be Matter in any of its familiar forms. It may be something more fundamental than Matter, something of which Matter is only a sensuous modification."

Vaguely and indefinitely this has the view of religious geniuses, from St. Paul downwards: that which they have called "a spiritual body" is turning out likely to be a reality. . . . We probably act on Ether directly, on Matter indirectly.

Sir Oliver adds:—Hence, on the hypothesis of its (the Ether's) utilisation, there seems every chance that when we have got rid of our temporary imperfect instruments our real existence will be unimpeded and perpetual. "There is no 'next world,' save subjectively," he adds, continuing this train of thought. The Universe is one; it is not so much a sequence as a co-existence. What we call "next world" is co-existent and simultaneous with this.

## STRAWBERRY JAM FINE.

## WHAT A 2lb JAR DID NOT CONTAIN.

A two-pound jar of "strawberry" jam which, in fact, contained not one whole strawberry—and consisting to the extent of 75 per cent. of apple pulp, was one of the samples described by the county analyst at Sunderland when Moore's Stores were fined £20 and costs for selling adulterated strawberry jam.

The analyst added that it was the worst case of adulteration in his experience.

The defendants pleaded that they bought a ton and a half from the makers as genuine.

## WEDDING GUESTS ILL.

## UNHAPPY SEQUEL TO A DOUBLE CEREMONY.

## POISONED TONGUE?

Nine guests who attended two weddings at Taunton became suddenly ill after the wedding breakfast, and several narrowly escaped death.

Two sisters, Violet and Norah Flook, were married at the parish church, Violet to Mr. H. Pringley and Norah to Mr. W. Green, of Swindon.

About 30 guests attended the breakfast, but only those who ate canned tongue became ill; these included one of the bridegrooms.

Doctors were quickly in attendance and thanks to their prompt action all the patients are now recovering.

## DUE TO FOOD POISON.

Interviewed Dr. John Allen, the borough medical officer, said the remainder of the tongue has been sent to the Ministry of Health, whose investigations were not complete. It had, however, been definitely established that the illness was food poisoning due to the canned tongue. The meat probably was infected before canning.

The doctor added that a well-known firm of dealers supplied the meat and were in no way to blame. On the whole, canned goods were safer than any others, thanks to the modern methods of canning.

## REGISTRAR'S LAST LETTER.

## SUICIDE AFTER PITEOUS MESSAGE TO WIFE.

My Dearest Girl—I am afraid I cannot face the future. I know it is a coward's way out, but I am now nearly three months since I had any natural real sleep, and I cannot stand my head any longer. Darling, I am consoled by the knowledge that time is the quiet healer, and that you will have the dear old sons to comfort you. God bless and keep you and my boys always.

Such was the letter, written to his wife by Alfred George Campion, registrar of births and deaths at Hove. An inquiry into his death ended in a verdict of suicide during temporary insanity, following disclosures in connection with alleged irregularities in his accounts while relieving officer.

Mr. Campion was found shot. He had been before the Guardians in connection with the accounts. He had been registrar since last year.

When he left home on the morning of the tragedy he told his wife he was going to register a wedding at Southwick. That was untrue, it was stated, because he had been summoned to attend the Guardians at Shoreham.

After he returned home and shot himself in his office, he was discovered by his wife, who also found his pathetic farewell letter.

## MAN WHO INSPIRED "MY OLD DUTCH."

## DEATH AFTER 60 YEARS' HAPPY MARRIED LIFE.

Mr. Harry Lewis, who, with his wife, was the inspiration of the late Albert Chevalier's famous song, "My Old Dutch," has just died at Kingston-on-Thames.

Married at St. Mary's Church, Newington, on July 26, 1862, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis last year celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary at Shepperton, where Mr. Lewis was a boatbuilder for 40 years.

They were then 83 and 81 years of age respectively—a wonderful couple, full of life and energy, and very proud of the fact that it was under their roof, 30 years before, that the most celebrated of coster songs came into being, and that they were the couple whose happy married life inspired the author.

## "NEVER A QUARREL."

When interviewed by a representative of the *Sunday News* on the occasion of their wedding anniversary, Mrs. Lewis, who can see to darn and sew without glasses, said:

Never a quarrel have we had all our lives, and when Mr. Chevalier came here as a young man to lodge he said he must make a song about us. I expect you know it. Every one does.

And so "My Old Dutch" was given to the world, and the old couple used regularly to go to London to hear its author sing.

Mr. Lewis is survived by his wife, four daughters, all of whom are married, and ten grandchildren.

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## CORONER ON "FUNNY OLD LADIES."

An inquest was held at Lambeth on Alice Smith, 68, a single woman of independent means, of 46, Progress, The Plain, Wandsworth, S.W., who was found drowned in the Thames off Brunswick Wharf, Lambeth, on a Saturday evening.

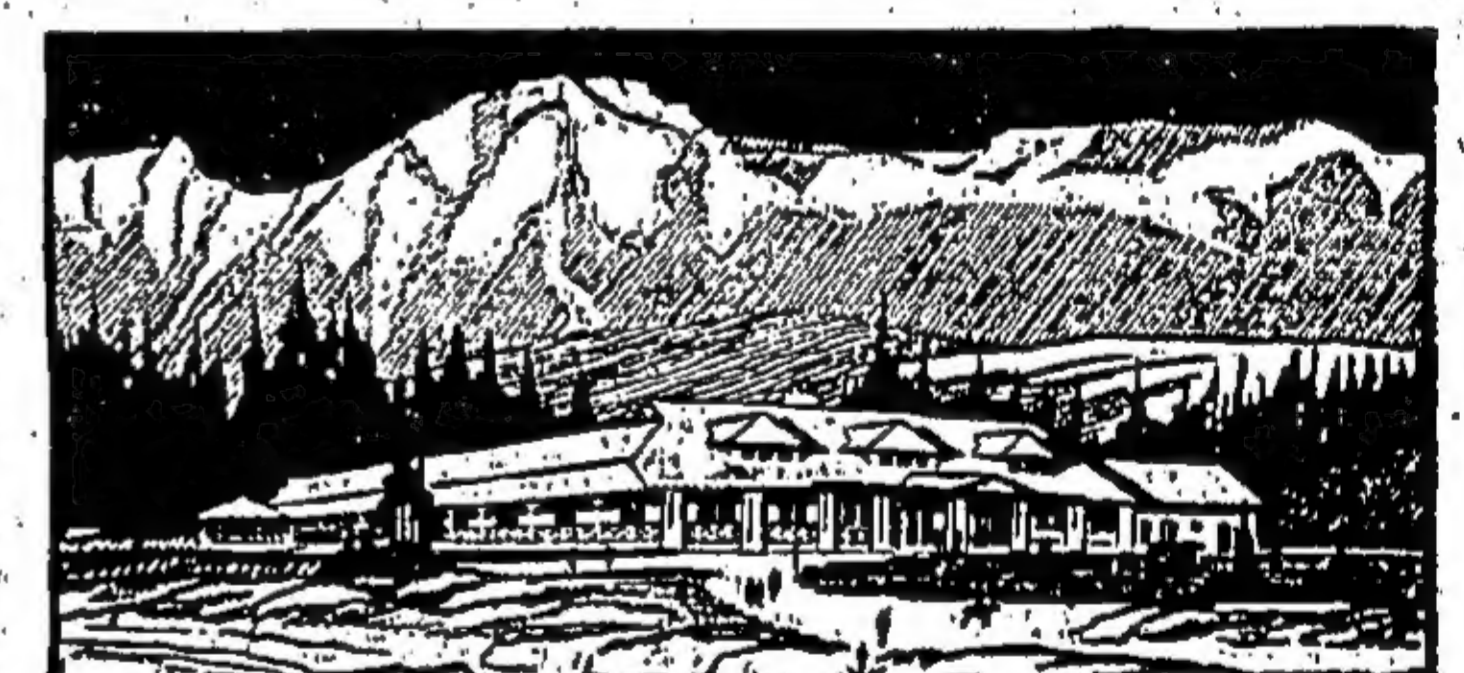
Mrs. Ethel Locombe, of Windmill-road, Brentford, Middlesex, said Miss Smith, her aunt, was very eccentric. She lived in her own house and owned six others. Lately, she had had an idea that she was going to be evicted from her house.

On March 14 her aunt brought her £800 worth of War Loan and her keys, and said: "If anything happens to me take my securities to a solicitor at Brentford."

A police-constable said it was estimated that the body had been six weeks in the water. The woman was wearing a man's hat and boots, size nine, odd stockings, and a puttee round the right leg. Under her skirt was a bag pinned to her clothing containing a number of pins that she had picked up.

## HEAPS OF RUBBISH.

The coroner, Mr. Ingleby Oddie, said Miss Smith was one of those funny old ladies whom one came across occasionally, living alone and keeping entirely to herself. She had a good deal of money, and was living like a hermit in a state of filth, surrounded by old newspapers, cigarette ends, old boots, and anything that she could find and collect and take home in triumph. The only entrance to her house was through heaps of rubbish. She was known to be very eccentric and obviously was not mentally sound. He returned a verdict of Suicide while of Unsound Mind.



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WILLIAM B. LEEDS.

Mr. William B. Leeds, son of the late American tinplate magnate, has arrived at Southampton to inspect the fishing smack "Salem," in which he intends to cross the Atlantic. The boat is 60 feet long and has a 60-horse-power auxiliary engine.



QUEEN WILHELMINA.

When the Dutch Government reduced the pay of Government employees, Queen Wilhelmina ordered the Minister of Finance to cut her own allowance, exactly as she did a year ago under similar circumstances.



LYDIA CHALIAPIN.

Lydia Chaliapin, daughter of Feodor Chaliapin, famous Russian tenor, has made her operatic debut at the Coliseum, in London. She has an exceptionally fine contralto voice.

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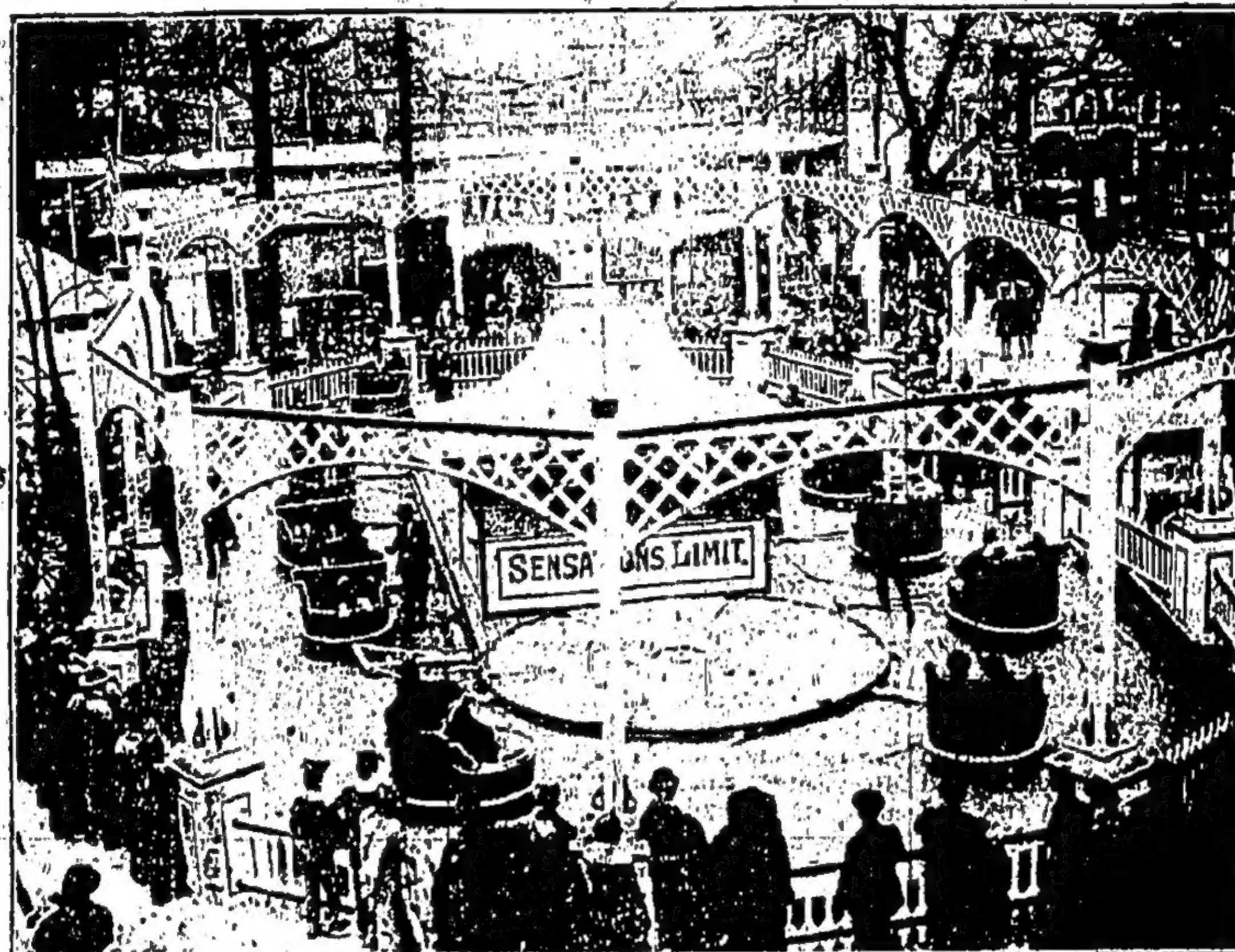


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Opening Day of the British Empire Exhibition. Visitors enjoying themselves on the "whip" which is said to give one the limit in sensations.



J. P. MORGAN.

Mr. J. P. Morgan is said to have notified the British Government he will undertake the sale in America of \$100,000,000 of the \$200,000,000 loan proposed to Germany by the Dawes report if the loan shall have priority over all Germany's treaty obligations.



ARCHBISHOP CIEPLAK.

Archbishop Jan Cieplak, of Poland, long-time prisoner in the hands of the Bolsheviks, who had him sentenced to death and only recently released him; may soon be created a Cardinal, according to a dispatch reaching London from Warsaw.



MRS. N. K. O'DONOGHUE LLOYD.

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